

REMARKS

DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION

Claims 1-7 stand provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1, 5-7, 10 and 14 of copending Application No. 10/677,122. Applicant includes with this Response a Terminal Disclaimer that disclaims any terminal portions of the patent granted on the instant application that might extend beyond the term of any patent granted of copending Application No. 10/677,122. Applicant respectfully submits that the Terminal Disclaimer obviates the double patenting rejection and Applicant requests that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

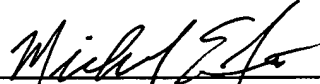
CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the

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